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500 FIVE RUNNING RACES EACH DAY.

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Are now loaning and fitting up free of charge Gas Cooking and Heating Stoves. Gas is sold at the reduced rate of \$1.25 per M. cubic feet for fuel.

Advantages of using gas for cooking purposes: 1—Less heat in kitchen. 2—A gas stove is always ready for instant use, day or night. 3—A gas stove will do all the cooking a coal or wood stove does only quicker and cleaner. 4—A gas stove means less work, no fuel to carry or ashes to remove. 5—Food is not placed in contact with the gas. 6—The average cost of using a gas range in this city does not exceed \$1.75 per month.

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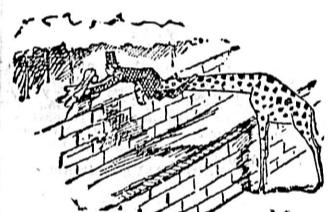


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### Victoria Water Works

Notice is hereby given that from and after the first day of October next all water rates and rents will be due and payable at the City Hall on the last day of each month. It paid within 15 days of becoming due a discount will be allowed, except in the case of meter rates, which are net. If not so paid the water may be shut off without notice.

JAS. L. RAYMUR,  
Water Commissioner.  
City Hall, August 30, 1898.

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Offers for sale, by private bargain, one of the choicest homesteads on the Island, containing 510 acres of land, with large, well-kept orchard, profitable hotel, over 100 acres cultivated land, the whole well fenced; fronting on a fine sporting lake and the main trunk roads, six miles from the city; close to church, school and railway station. This is one of the biggest bargains ever offered investors. Price low; terms to suit. A fortune to right party.

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Swiss Cottage on Esquimalt road containing 7 rooms with frontage on the water furnished, rent \$45.

10-room, Simcoe street (furnished), \$40.00.

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9-room, Empire street, \$7.00.

4-room, Front street, Victoria W., \$1.00.

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8-room, Kane street, \$20.00.

6-room, Laboure street, \$10.00.

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#### FURNISHED COUNTRY RESIDENCE

To let for two years, along with 128 acres of land, 28 acres cleared and under cultivation, situated 12 miles from town. Rent on application.

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## ON TO KHARTOUM.

Driving the Dervishes Before Him, Sir Herbert Kitchener Passes Up the Nile.

The Khalifa's Force Estimated at 35,000 Men—K. pple's Gun-boat in Action.

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People don't take long to find out the merits of an article — Ask your friends what they think of Blue Ribbon Tea.

## M'KINLEY AND HIS MEN

The President of the United States Among the Soldiers of the Nation.

Hot Weather at Home Works Sad Havoc With the Heroes of the War.

Camp Wikoff, Montauk Point, Sept. 3.—President McKinley spent five hours in the camp to-day, baredfoot most of the time, visiting the sick in the hospitals and inspecting the well in their canteens. He made a speech to the assembled artillerymen, reviewed the cavalrymen, expressed his opinion of the camp to the reporters, and issued an order directing the regulars to return to their stations east of the Mississippi.

Mr. McKinley drove to Gen. Shafter's tent in the camp. The General, who was flushed and weak from a mild case of malarial fever, but was in full uniform, sitting at the door of his tent. He tried to rise, but Mr. McKinley said quickly, "Stay where you are, General—you are entitled to a rest."

The president congratulated General Shafter on the Santiago campaign, and after a few minutes' rest proceeded to the general hospital. The soldiers recently arrived on the transport and detained in the detention section of the camp lined up regularly on each side of the road and cheered.

Mr. McKinley took off his straw hat and scarcely more than put it on for more than a minute or two at a time during the remainder of his progress through the camp.

Miss Wheeler, a daughter of the General, happened to be in the first row of the hospital tents, and she showed the President through her division. General Wheeler announced in each ward, "Boys, the President has come to see you," or, "soldiers—the President of the United States."

Some of them slept unconscious; some listlessly raised their elbows; others feebly clapped their hands.

Mr. McKinley gently shook hands with many on their cots. He paused an instant and if he saw the sick men looking at him, bowed in a directly and personal way.

President McKinley was shocked on learning of the terrible sufferings from the heat of the Michigan troops en route from the camp to Long Island city yesterday. He urged that something be done at once to supply the troops leaving camp with plenty of ice and wholesome rations, so that their discomfort while travelling might be as light as possible.

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LABOR DAY IN CHURCHES.  
Sermons Will Be Preached To-day On the Holiday to Be Celebrated To-morrow.

By request of the representatives of organized labor, a large number of the city pastors will to-day deal from the pulpits with such phases of the labor question as may with appropriateness be touched upon. In other churches the services will be as ordered for to-day—the 13th Sunday after Trinity. "The relations of Capital and Labor" will be discussed by Rev. Canon Beaumont at Christ Church Cathedral in the morning, the Bishop preaching the evening sermon. There will also be Holy Communion at 8 a.m. At St. James there will be morning prayer with a sermon by Rev. Mr. Applegard, incumbent of Port Essington, at 11 a.m., celebration of the Holy Communion following at 12 noon, with a children's service at 3 p.m., and evening prayer with sermon at 7 p.m., "Christian Socialism" being the topic for the evening. At St. Saviour's, matins and Holy Communion are set for 11 a.m., with a sermon by the Bishop, and Rev. W. D. Barber will occupy his own pulpit in the evening. At St. John's there will be morning prayer and sermon at 11, followed by a celebration of the Holy Communion, and evensong and sermon at 7. Rev. Percival Jenks will preach at both services, his morning discourse having special reference to the labor questions of the day. The musical arrangements are:

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## KLONDIKE ARRIVALS.

Talks With Some of the Passengers Who Came on the Birigo.

Bench Diggings Turning Out Well—Mazie May and Black Hills No Good.

A. C. Allen, editor of the Klondike Nugget, who was one of the Birigo's passengers to Victoria last evening, has a good stock of general news in regard to the Klondike country. He and 105 others came out from Dawson on the Orca's last trip, the gold and drafts amounting to about \$200,000, as far as he could judge. The man with the biggest pile was Al Beebe, who, with his partner, had from \$50,000 to \$100,000 in dust. They went over to Juneau from Skagway. Mr. Allen reports that Commissioner Ogilvie would have reached Bennett by last Tuesday, and be in Dawson by to-morrow or Tuesday. Mr. Ogilvie will not, however, see Crown prosecutor and Registrar Wade, who, on August 18—the day before Mr. Allen started up the river—left Dawson on the steamer Power for St. Michael. Great dissatisfaction is felt in Dawson, according to Mr. Allen, over the fact that no crown grant has yet been issued to the owners of the townsite. As a result, people feel uneasy as to the titles of the lots they buy from the townsite people, especially as some of the lots are priced as high as \$1,000 a front foot.

The latest boats from St. Michael to reach Dawson were the Louise, which arrived at the Klondike city on August 17, and the Columbian, which came in next day. It is the intention of the company owning the Columbian to place her on the upper river, between Dawson and White Horse, to connect with the Anglian, running between White Horse and Bennett.

There is not the least reason to be uneasy as to the food question in Dawson this winter. Mr. Allen says, for there is plenty of grub in the country, and at prices within the bounds of reason, but there are thousands of men "broke," and they have to get out some way. Wages are now down to 60 cents an hour in many cases, and no one pays more than \$1 an hour; yet there is certainly more labor offering than there is work for.

The success of the bench claims has proved a great benefit to the country, for they can be worked in summer, and some of them are paying big money. An instance is that of a man named Lauter, who owns a bench claim off No. 2 El Dorado, and who is taking out \$1,700 to \$1,900 a day. He has a pay streak 45 feet wide on his claim, and the gold shows very plainly in it. Then there are good benches on Skookum gulch and Bonanza. Mr. Allen brought out some nice nuggets with him, a nice little pocket piece worth \$50 being the biggest.

OTHER PASSENGERS.

Men Who Have Come Out With Gold and Without It.

The man with perhaps the largest amount of dust on the Birigo is W. H. Davis, of Kent, Washington, who is credited with \$20,000. Another is reported to have 175 pounds in good, clean nuggets. He was reported to have been offered \$500 for a big nugget at Skagway, but other passengers aboard doubt it.

Donald B. Olson, of Seattle, is interested in the electric light company at Dawson, and came down by the Birigo for the purpose of purchasing some additional plant. He has no gold with him, but has brought out the money to buy the plant with.

Frank Stahl is a Seattleite with a good heavy sack, but he does not give any idea of its value.

These are some of the more fortunate ones, but there was a group of a dozen men from the Copper river, in Alaska, and a sick looking lot they were, without a color of gold among them.

They report that there are over a thousand more left up there, and the government is helping them out as speedily as possible.

A young man who has had some experience in the Stewart and McMillan rivers is Mr. F. Hamlin, of New York. He jokes over his experiences, and takes things philosophically, but emphatically says that the wonderful reports of the Mazie May and Black Hills on the Stewart are fables.

"I ought to know," he said, as he chatted at the Dominion last night, "for I had claims on both and I left them, not intending to go back."

Mr. Hamlin is a New Yorker, a graduate of Yale and a common-sense style of fellow, with his powers of observation helped out by some experience as a newspaper man.

While he was only in Dawson itself a short time, and, therefore, did not feel able to talk about the general conditions there, he said that there was one thing that did strike him very forcibly.

In a country with plenty of timber, firewood was \$40 a cord, because of the government having let the timber rights to three or four men, for 80 miles on each side of the river. Some friends of his cut a raft of timber miles away from Dawson and floated it down to the town. There it was taken from them by the man who owned the limits, and the unfortunate floaters were offered \$8 a cord for cutting up the timber.

THEY SUIT THE ROYAL WILL.

Queen Wilhelmina Has No Intention of Usurping the People's Prerogative.

The Hague, Sept. 3.—Queen Wilhelmina will retain the present cabinet.

E. Blewett came over from the Mainland yesterday evening.

Rev. Evan P. Hughes, of Hillsboro, Ore., arrived from the Sound yesterday morning and will occupy the pulpit of the Congregational church on Pandora street during the present month.

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**Mining**

passed a resolution so limiting the output, and that the agents of the company in British Columbia had no right to disregard the instructions of the board. We shall have no difficulty, however, in making it appear to the court on the return day of that temporary restraining order that that resolution was void, having been passed at a special meeting not called for that purpose." It is estimated that the expenses of the receivership and the litigation in the case just decided will be not less than \$35,000.

"This decision throws the legal battle over the Le Roi mine into the courts of the state of Washington. Two suits are now pending in these courts. One is to restrain the B. A. C., W. B. Heyburn, McIntosh, Carlyle and Durant from voting stock standing in their names, from purchasing any more stock on account of the B. A. C., from taking any part whatever in the affairs of the Le Roi company, either as stockholders or otherwise, and from completing the purchase of the stock contracted for by the B. A. C. This injunction has been granted until the final hearing of the case. The petition further prays for a sequestration of the stock now alleged to be held and owned by them, for its cancellation on the books of the Le Roi company, and its retirement from circulation. The other case is an action against the B. A. C., Whitaker Wright, McIntosh, the two Peypons, W. J. C. Wakefield, and D. W. Henley for \$780,000 damages by reason of an alleged conspiracy to reduce the value of the stock. It will be recalled that several months ago Col. I. N. Peyton resigned as manager of the company and the board passed a resolution that the president of the company, Col. W. D. Turner, take the management of the property. The Turner interests say that resolution has never been rescinded, and Col Turner continues as manager."

**A STRIKE AT FORTY MILE.**

Quite a number of Klondikers recently arrived from the north are in Vancouver, all with interesting stories of the conditions prevailing at Dawson. One of these is E. G. Woodford, who went up to Dawson several months ago as a representative of English capitalists, and came down from St. Michael on the Roanoke. He says the steamer had nearly four million dollars on board in gold dust and drafts. Before Mr. Woodford left Dawson a rich strike was reported on the north arm of Forty Mile creek. The pay dirt was running about 50 cents to the pan and many were stampeding to the ground. His information was received from a mining engineer who had been over the ground.

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A deal was consummated a few days ago whereby the two-thirds interest in the Fidelity mine, Sloane, owned by L. F. Holtz and A. S. Williamson, was sold for a cash consideration, said to be \$10,000. Scott McDonald was the buyer. The property will now go into the hands of a company financially able to work it.

Professor J. R. Cassin and Mr. Garrison of Spokane have just completed 125 feet of development work on the Four Hundred group of three claims, Grand Forks. A gold-copper lead over 600 feet in length has been uncovered and that the main shaft is in solid pay ore.

A body of \$60 gold-copper ore has been encountered on the Morrison claim, Boundary Creek. The extent of the strike is yet to be determined. C. K. Simpson, Fred Oliver and Jack Morrison, better known among his associates as "Tamarack Jack," are the owners.

Reports from Lemon Creek properties are most encouraging.

Five hundred tons of ore are to be packed from the Last Chance before the train is finished.

There are 140 men working at the Payne. Five feet of ore came into the tunnel a few days ago.

A strike of ore running nearly \$50 in gold alone is reported in the Brooklyn, in Greenwood camp.

**BRIDGE RIVER.**

The latest strike on McMillan creek, promised good returns, the forty foot ledges assaying high. On the Lorne group an arastna is running and the owners of the Pioneer claim are crushing ore. The Monarch group produces free milling ore which astonished the owners. A stream of water was turned on the hillside and uncovered three ledges, which prospect well. Assays of rock from the Wood creek mine run from \$100 to \$1,000 to the ton. Caldwell creek, where the mines are located, is seventy-five miles from Lillooet. A good trail is built to the creek and four hundred miners are at work on the various claims. The Bon D'Or, Little Joe, Alhambra, Lorne, Pioneer and Monarch groups will prove of great value when machinery is introduced. Capitalists are needed in this promising mining country.

**THE LE ROI TANGLE.**

Speaking of the discharge of the Le Roi receiver by Mr. Justice Irving's order at Vancouver on Wednesday, Mr. Frank Graves says in the Spokesman-Review: "This decision is what we expected and what our attorneys, Mr. McDonald and Mr. Bodwell, advised us in the most emphatic terms it would be. The case stands now as though a receiver had never been appointed, and saddles the expenses of the receivership, as well as the cost of the litigation, upon the plaintiffs."

"Moreover, this decision has no effect on the litigation pending in our state courts. That litigation will be pressed to the earliest possible conclusion. The board of directors will now take charge of the mine, subject temporarily to the injunction limiting the output to 100 tons per day. That injunction is undoubtedly based upon the allegations in the complaint that the board of directors had

**VANCOUVER'S RETAIL MARKET.**

Numerous Changes Reported by the Jobbers—Cheese Stronger, and a General Change in Fruits.

Vancouver, Sept. 3.—(Special)—There are numerous changes in the jobbers' market. Dairy butter is up one cent, being now quoted at 10 and 17; cheese is stronger, being quoted at 10 & 11½; onions are down a quarter of a cent, to one cent and a half. In the fruit market prices have changed all around. The following quotations were received this morning: Bananas, \$1.75; peaches, 30 to 60 cents; apples, 50 cents & \$1.00; tomatoes, \$1.00; watermelons, \$1.75; oranges, \$1.00; Michigan cranberries, \$2.75; British Columbia tomatoes, 50cts.; flour, strong bakers, \$5.25; oats, \$2.50-\$2.60; wheat, \$2.50-\$2.75; hay, \$10-\$12; beef, \$6 to \$7; mutton, pork and veal, 10cts.; chickens, \$4 to \$6.

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Latest Reports Estimate It From Twenty to Thirty Million Bushels, and of Finest Quality.

Winnipeg, Sept. 3.—(Special)—Crop reports from Western ports received to-day show that a greater portion of the grain in all parts of the country is now in stock, and the work of stacking is being pushed forward vigorously. Some threshing has been done here and there, but will not become general for a week or so yet.

The grain is turning out even better than expected, and it should not be surprising if the wheat yield of the province reaches twenty-eight or thirty million bushels. The latest reports received are highly gratifying. Estimates of forty-five and thirty bushels to the acre are common, and the quality will be of the highest, no blight of any kind having affected the grain.

By the end of the fortnight, the entire crop of the country will have been successfully garnered, as there is no time to be lost to secure warm and dry weather for the balance of the month. New wheat is being delivered at some of the southern Manitoba ports.

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**A "BIG FOUR."**

Three recent events bid fair to mark the closing years of the century as one of the momentous epochs in history. They are the growing understanding between Great Britain and the United States, the Russian request for general disarmament, and the Anglo-Germanic "entente." It may be premature to expect a realization of the Czar's desire, but that out of it may come an understanding, fruitful of good results for mankind, is wholly reasonable. It is clearly among the probabilities of the near future that an agreement will be arrived at between Great Britain, the United States, Germany and Russia. We wish to draw attention to several interesting feature in connection therewith.

If one takes the map of the world and starts westward from Great Britain, he will find that the first land to greet his vision on the opposite shore of the Atlantic is British territory, lying to the south of which is the continental possessions of the United States. Crossing the British territory and still going westward, he will come to Siberia, and, still going westward across Siberia, he will reach Russia proper. Crossing Russia, he finds himself in Germany, and from Germany a short sail across the North sea will land him back in Great Britain. He will thus have circled the world, and when he has not been on the ocean, he has been on territory owned by the "Big Four" combination above mentioned. But this is not all. If his westward departure from America is made from the United States, he can cross the Pacific by stepping stones, as it were, owned by the latter country, until he reaches the Philippines, when his next step will be to British territory in Borneo, thence to Singapore and thence by a series of British stepping stones he will find himself back in Great Britain; or from Singapore he may turn southward, and, taking in New Guinea owned jointly by Great Britain and Germany, reach the Australian continent, owned by Great Britain. Nor is this all, for if Germany occupies Syria, as is said to be contemplated, he can go eastward from Great Britain through Germany and Russia to Syria, thence to Egypt, and so on down to the Cape of Good Hope, and never leave the territories of the "Big Four."

Let us see what statistics have to say about this possible combination, and first as to area, the round numbers being used in each case:

Square miles.	
The British Empire . . . . .	12,000,000
Russian Empire . . . . .	8,700,000
The United States . . . . .	3,700,000
The German Empire . . . . .	1,250,000

Total . . . . . 25,650,000

Next let us take the population:

British Empire . . . . .	383,000,000
Russian Empire . . . . .	122,000,000
The United States . . . . .	80,000,000
German Empire . . . . .	54,000,000

Total . . . . . 639,000,000

In estimating the population of the United States we have included that of the territory acquired and likely to be retained by reason of the late war. Next take the statistics of foreign commerce, including exports and imports, and we get the following:

Per annum.	
British Empire . . . . . \$5,000,000,000	
United States . . . . . 2,000,000,000	
German Empire . . . . . 2,000,000,000	
Russian Empire . . . . . 1,000,000,000	

Total . . . . . \$10,000,000,000

These statistics imply inconceivable area, power and wealth.

We draw attention to the relative position of the British Empire. It has nearly an equal area to the other three, and if Egypt be counted in and Syria be given to Germany, we possess more than the other three. In population our Empire has much more than the other three, and in commerce, after liberally estimating for Germany and Russia, we have an amount equal to the other three.

We note another feature of the affair. Germany, Great Britain and the United States are substantially the Protestant powers of Christendom, while Russia represents the Greek church. About 50,000,000 of the united population of the four empires are Roman Catholics, about 73,000,000 belong to the Greek church; about 219,000,000 are Protestant, and the remainder or about 300,000,000, chiefly British subjects, are Mohammedans, Buddhists and members of various other sects, showing that John Bull has "the heathen for an inheritance" as well as "the uttermost parts of the earth, for a possession."

It is also noteworthy that the dominant races in this tremendous aggregation are substantially of the same great family that is to say, they are, speaking from historical evidence, representatives of the Northern branch of the human family as distinguished from the Tropical branch. They are not representatives even of the Latin race, as we have learned to call the people who inhabit Southern Europe and their descendants in South America.

When we consider all these things and others which will suggest themselves to any one who gives the matter a little thought, we will begin to form at least a vague idea of what such a combination of nations will imply. No one need be

surprised if later day prophets read more into the despatches that appear on the surface and claim that we now see approaching the dawn of a veritable millennium.

**THE GREATEST FIELD OF RESEARCH.**

The President of the American Society for Psychical Research, after eight years' devotion to scientific investigation of spiritualistic evidence, has made public a written declaration of his conviction that the dead can communicate with the living. Most people will say he has been humbugged, but he himself does not admit that there is the slightest possibility of that. He claims that in his experiments, all the precautions necessary to prevent fraud and collusion have been observed, and that he has demonstrated what he asserts, quite as unanswerably as other facts of an unusual character are demonstrated. He claims to have examined into and exhausted every other hypothesis which can be advanced as an explanation of the phenomena of spiritualism, and hence finds himself compelled to accept the conclusion given above. Seeing that the society referred to was specially formed for the purpose of investigating the alleged phenomena, some weight must be given to the conversion of its president, who, it is alleged, was not predisposed to accept the explanation which he now gives.

Looking at the subject from the standpoint of independent criticism, and having regard to the scores of authenticated events inexplicable by any known laws, while we may very properly hesitate in accepting the spiritualistic explanation, we must at least admit that mankind live on the borderland of a realm of which they know very little indeed. In the lately published memoirs of Muller, the founder of the Bristol orphans, are given accounts of how he obtained money in ways that are, to all intents and purposes, miraculous. For example, he knew that the tax collector would call for a comparatively large sum of money during a certain day, and he had nothing to give him. He prayed, and during the day, and before the collector called, an anonymous person sent him the money required. He tells that he used any money sent in for any purpose for which it was needed, never thinking about providing for the next need, but that when he wanted more he always got it. He would, in the early days of his work, frequently place upon the table for the orphans the last morsel of food in the house, never thinking of putting them on short allowance, and that there was always something sent in in time for the next meal. There is no doubt about Muller's work. He received in all over £1,500,000, and never asked an individual for a penny. Explain this how we may, we cannot get away from the fact that Muller was in touch with agencies not ordinarily employed by men.

The experience of perhaps the majority of people contains some instances which seem to be inexplicable by any known laws. It is usually considered a mark of weak intellect to seek an explanation of them. We all shrug our shoulders just a little when someone tells us that he had an experience which seemed to require the postulation of something unknown. We act very much as our grandfathers would if they should drop in on us, and should discover us talking with someone twenty or fifty miles away. To them the explanation of the telephone would be as incomprehensible as Muller's explanation that he accomplished what he wanted by prayer, or the Psychical Research president's explanation that certain things are due to the active interposition of the dead.

Not to push these speculations too far, we think one may be stated without fear of contradiction, namely that the domain of the unknown is vastly greater than that of the known. We may also claim that there has been a great prejudice against any investigation into that domain of knowledge where the balance, the yardstick or the test tube cannot be used. The churches have said "hands off" to those who ventured to look within the veil. Material silence has laughed at the idea of any real phenomena outside of its domain. Yet we are conscious that there is something more of us than mere flesh and blood. We feel that when death comes it will not touch all there is of us. The evidence of the senses for tens of thousands of years has been telling mankind that death ends all; yet men refuse to believe it. It is idle to say that this is the result of education. There is no educator so universal and so remorseless as death. Every nation and kindred and people and tongue has been taught its lessons. It has spoken to every generation. It speaks to every living creature to-day. Surely no human teacher, however convincing, can hope to counteract the lesson which death seems to teach. Yet as universal as this teaching of death, is the belief that there is something beyond it, something over which it has no power. This is really the most tremendous thought which the mind can conceive. If mankind could be brought to shape it, and shape their course according to it, the world would pass from darkness into light. Hence we ought not hastily to repudiate those who claim to have learned something about the unknown ocean of existence which surrounds us. We suppose that a subscription of hundreds of millions of dollars could be got together if there was reason to suppose that, by its expenditure, we could learn if people lived on Mars and communicate with them. Yet it is infinitely more important to know if those whom death has carried within the veil, are clothed with a new life, and if we can hope to feel even so little as

".....the touch of a banished hand And the sound of a voice that is still."

The Times has not responded to the challenge of the Colonist, and printed anything from the Lieutenant-Governor's letters which can be called a specific allegation of dishonesty on the part of the late government. This being the case, we go further and offer to print in the Colonist any specific statement, based upon the Lieutenant-Governor's letters, which makes out a *prima facie* case of dishonesty, or can be construed as suggesting to any reasonable man a dishonest intention on the part of the late government. We do not even stipulate that the person sending the statement shall sign his name to it. We would prefer him to do so, but he can act his pleasure about that. This offer is open to anyone connected with the Times. If it is not accepted, we think it will no longer be necessary for the Colonist or any other friend of the late government to pay any attention to such allegations as those in which the Times has been indulging. The Colonist has nothing to conceal in this dismissal matter. It believed that the ex-Attorney-General should make a specific public statement about that special \$15,000 warrant, and it said so frankly. It thinks yet that it is his bounden duty to make the statement. It is convinced of nothing more than the honesty of the intentions of Mr. Turner and his colleagues, and it defies proof that an act, having even the tinge of dishonesty about it, was ever attempted or contemplated by them. It has dealt with the Lieutenant-Governor, Mr. Beaven and Mr. Semlin in a spirit of absolute fairness. It has not read into what they have said or done any motives which were not literally warranted by the facts. It has not dealt in innuendo. It has been definite and specific in everything it has said. And now it demands that the same spirit of British fair play shall be extended to Mr. Turner and his late colleagues. It believes the public will heartily endorse this demand. Therefore, it repeats, let the slanders be specific, or else hold their peace on the question of honesty.

Doubtless the capture of Omdurman will promptly follow the destruction of the forts, and this will clear the whole Nile valley of the troublesome dervishes. As we pointed out the other day, they are likely to retire to the westward and seek retreat in the Sultanates of Kordofan and Darfur. In point of fact, Omdurman is situated within what was formerly the territory of the Sultan of Kordofan, which fell under the control of El Mahdi in 1883, and has been his scene of operations ever since. Kordofan has an estimated area of 100,000 square miles, and a population of about 300,000. Darfur is somewhat larger than Kordofan, and lies immediately to the west of it. The population is about 1,500,000. It is independent, but is for the most part within the recognized sphere of influence of the British East Africa Company, so that if the Khalifa goes in that direction, he will not be allowed to remain. He cannot retreat to the north, for that would take him into the desert. It is useless for him to go up the Nile valley, because the gunboats will follow him.

It is said that some United States capitalists, with John P. Morgan at their head, contemplate the immediate construction of a trans-Pacific cable via Hawaii, with a branch from some point in Northern Washington to Sitka, and thence by way of the Aleutian islands to Japan.

The adjournment of the Quebec Conference until the 20th instant will afford an opportunity for this province to get before the Canadian commissioners any arguments that may be thought worth presenting.

Relying to a correspondent, we may say that Omdurman is on the opposite side of the Nile to Khartoum. The latter city has not been rebuilt since the Mahdi destroyed it at the time of Gordon's death.

Late dispatches indicate that there must have been very severe fighting at Khartoum; but before any cayallow youth emits any vituperation of the British army, it would be well for him to wait for particulars.

It is reported in Vancouver that a Conservative candidate will be brought out in opposition to Attorney-General Martin. Under these circumstances what will Finance Minister Cotton do?

Paris is in a ferment over Dreyfus. It is a strange thing when a great nation is afraid to do an act of simple justice.

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Danderline, the only Hair Producer, has arrived at C. Koch's, 42 Government street.

Nanaimo parade will meet Victoria's excursionists. Sports.

Free sports in Nanaimo Labor Day.

Victorians All Well.—A letter from Charles Bush, formerly of the Victoria fire department, gives an interesting budget of news from Dawson City. Bush and Henry Behnson own claims on Moosechild and Independence creeks, and were in the stampede to Ballarat creek where they staked two promising claims. David Henry, J. C. Byrne, Ben Haigh, J. Lyons, J. Woods, Collie Cameron and Frank Latham have arrived safely in Dawson. Four steamers arrived in one day. A great number of new-comers sell their outfitts and leave the country. The mosquitoes are a plague at the mines, but Dawson is free of them. Behnson and Bush purchased dogs for use next winter and are provided with a good supply of provisions. They expect to make a good stake next winter from their claims. All the Victorians in Dawson are enjoying good health.

TALLY HO! TALLY HO! to hunters—for game locations, apply Stevens' Hotel and Tourists' Retreat, Prospect Lake District.

The Comox Show.—The Comox Agricultural society have their annual show fixed for September 20 at Courtney and intend to be strictly in it with the other districts in the attractions offered.

Tramways start at 5:30 a.m. Labor Day; the Kingston starts for Seattle at 6:30—plenty of time.

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The Cast One Short.—"All That Glitters is Not Gold," a comedy-drama, was played at the A. O. U. W. theatre last night to a fair house. This performance was not given as well as others before it, owing to one of the company not attending.

A Stolen Bike.—It would seem that the bicycle thief is again abroad, as a bike belonging to one of the district messenger boys was stolen from a door on Yates street last night about 10 o'clock. The machine is a new Letona, and cost the unlucky messenger \$50. Drop handles, road-racer, 74-gear, red rim and blue frame are additional specifications.

At Peaceful Somenos.—The people of Somenos have organized a little picnic of their own to celebrate Labor Day in a fitting and loyal manner. Sports which will be fully up to the average of the usual bucolic festivities will mark the occasion, and in addition thereto, speeches on various topics will be delivered by two or three well-known orators, including Dr. Lewis Hall.

Down With the Verandahs.—A notice of motion has been posted by Ald. McGregor that at the next meeting of the council he will move to have Building Inspector Northeit instruct the owners to remove, or cause to be removed, the shades in front of the premises at No. 24 Cormorant, 139 Government and 42 Fisgard streets. The reason for this is that the offending shades extend about six feet over the sidewalk, and in case of fire they would impede the firemen, as they are not sufficiently strong to bear the weight of the men, and that in wet weather the dripping therefrom causes considerable annoyance.

Odd Fellows.—There is a little stir among the I.O.O.F. lodges at present, and a healthy rivalry in the matter of team work. New members are joining rapidly, and the prospects for the future are good. On Wednesday evening Columbia lodge advanced three brothers to the second degree, and next meeting night the third degree will be conferred. Dominion lodge on Thursday evening practiced the initiatory degree. On Friday evening Peerless lodge had a candidate for initiation, the team performing the work in a very creditable manner.

Nanaimo band will meet the train.

Repairing the Treat Bridge.—According to the Comox News, there are 26 bridge carpenters from Victoria at work on the Treat river bridge, besides many from Union and the wharf. The necessary tools and appliances are available, and the work is being pushed with the utmost vigor. One cable was stretched across the broken span on Thursday. It will not be long before coal trains can be taken over. Around from the lower side a temporary road-bed and track are being laid to connect with the main line to the wharf, over which the new engine will be taken.

Cowichan Fall Fair.—The Cowichan Agricultural society hold their annual show this year on September 30 and October 1, and have named as committee: Inside—A. Bell, E. Lomas and F. Maitland Dougall; sheep swine and poultry departments—A. Drummond, T. McPherson, and T. A. Wood; horses and cattle—John Fleet, C. T. Gibbons and W. C. Duncan; ladies work—Mrs. Corfield, Miss Harrison, Mrs. Maitland Dougall, and Miss Lomas. The Flockmasters association will on October 1 offer by auction a number of their imported rams and ewes, affording an exceptional opportunity of securing valuable breeding stock. The association intend also sending a district exhibit to the Westminster show.

Domestic Science.—A public meeting of the Local Council of Women will be held on Tuesday afternoon in the city hall, which promises to be of more than ordinary interest, as questions touching home life will be discussed. A short time ago representatives from the council waited upon the school board to talk over the advisability of introducing domestic science into the public schools, and offered to equip a kitchen if the trustees could engage a teacher. The board heartily endorsed the plan, but with the understanding that it could not be put into operation until January next. It is to discuss this question that Tuesday's meeting is made public. Miss Livingston, of the Domestic School of Science, Ottawa, will explain the undertaking in all its workings. A condensed report of the National Council meeting by the delegate, Mrs. A. H. Seafie, will also be read and discussed. As this will touch upon the plan of work for the coming year, all members of affiliated societies are asked to attend.

The Approaching Plebiscite.—Not only will the forthcoming plebiscite on the temperance question be a non sequitur as far as any results of the voting are concerned, but with respect to Victoria there would appear to be a good prospect of a decided muddle. It is a well-known fact that the local voters' lists are prepared on the basis of electoral districts, altogether distinct from those which regulate the return of members for the Dominion House. *Hughes* some voters whose names appear on the provincial lists in Esquimalt and Victoria districts will, *thus*, be included in Nanaimo district. Mr. H. A. Munro, who has been appointed returning officer for the Victoria electoral district, has thus to adapt the provincial lists to a district entirely foreign to that for which it was prepared. Parts of the two outlying districts as mentioned above—Esquimalt and Victoria—are bunched with the city, and the decision as to the exact position of a man in either of the districts lives, with respect to an imaginary line regulating the Dominion electoral districts, will decide as to whether he is included in the jurisdiction of Mr. Munro's functions, or owes temporary allegiance to the officer having headquarters at Nanaimo. And the deciding of this fine point will in many cases tax the scientific and astronomical education of the returning officer to the utmost; in fact, the matter has already caused him and his deputy, Mr. Siddall, much corrugating of the brows. Apart from this jumble, the voting will be carried on pretty much as usual, except that the result either way will not make much difference as far as remedial legislation by the "sunny ways" of the party in power is concerned. As many polling places will be established in the city as the returning officer deems necessary, but it is probable that there will be but one in the city market—that officer appointing whatever assistants he may require. All persons whose names are on the provincial voters' lists at least 60 days previous to the day on which the vote is taken, are entitled to participate in this national expression of opinion.

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They tell a story in Stageland concerning the elder Grau, one of the most famous impresarios of his time, that illustrates well the foundation plank of comic opera success. An ambitious composer whose pet work had been staged for the first time fortnight previous, was dilating in rapturous superlatives upon its success, when Grau, the opera king of the day, hatted him with a wave of the hand.

"You think it's caught on with the people?" he asked.

"Caught on? They're raving over it," enthusiastically affirmed the proud author. "Why, they can talk of nothing else."

"Talk's easy," sentimentally observed the Grau; "can they whistle it?"

And thus was a catchword born that soon became famous, while at the same time a first essential to comic opera success was aptly illustrated.

It's the operas that linger in the memory, so that they are half-unconsciously hummed and whistled by the boot-black, as well as in the perfumed boudoir, that take the money. It is the opera of this class that runs for uncounted nights, to the joy of managers and the delight of the multitude. Of such was the "Mikado"—and of such is its natural successor, "The Geisha."

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Victorians, until last Tuesday night have had no opportunity to become acquainted with the melodies, or the pert, snappy libretto of this dainty joint production by witty Owen Hall and musical Sidney Jones. Having tried it, like O Mimos San the kiss, they find it decidedly agreeable—"it has charms I can't explain."

Certainly one of the charms is its bright, tuneful, distinctly original and altogether pleasing solos. Take them all in all, can any other comic opera show a longer or more acceptable list?

First of all, there are O Mimos San's dainty conceit, "The Amorous Goldfish," her descriptive "A Geisha's Life," the "Charm of Love," and her effective part in the kissing duet with Fairfax. Of course, the sweetness and sympathetic quality of Miss Goodwin's voice, in conjunction with her charming adaptability for the part, had much to do with the attractiveness of her songs, but the pleasing music and the odd little stories told in pretty jingle, are there to begin with.

Then there are Fairfax's rousing sailor song, "Jack's the Boy," and his beautiful "Star of My Soul"—one of the best, if not THE BEST individual number in the work, and his contribution to the osculatory episode. Inari's sweet little moreover, "The Maid of Japan," lingers longest in memory of any of the opera's delights, its minor tones of suggested sadness accentuating its charming melody. Inari has other pleasing work, but nothing to equal in quality this single gem of song.

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And comedy and semi-comedy songs—how "The Geisha" abounds in them! Cunningham's "Dear Little Jappy-Jappy"; Molly's "Chion King"; "I Wish Him a Polito Good-Bye"; "The Interfering Parrot"; and her "Top Duet" with Fairfax; Wun Li's "Chin Chin Chinaman," and his "Ching-a-Ring-a-Reo" with Mlle Juliette; Juliette's "If Zat Es Not Love, What 'Tis?"—there are really so many of them, and all good, that "brimming with fun as well as melody" may fairly be used in description.

The authors of "The Geisha" have only one bitter drop in the cup of their triumph—it is undeniably of the Gilbert & Sullivan order, the best of that order, it is true, but a copy, not an origination. In the hands of the local presenting company, none of the beauties of the opera were lost; and when it is again presented here Wednesday evening as a benefit to Miss Georgie Cooper, yet another crowded house may with confidence be looked for.

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There is an old saying that patience and perseverance are sure of their reward. And, by the same token, the People's theatre—is the A.O.U.W. hall has now become—is fairly entitled to a winter of unalloyed prosperity. Manager Barr and his company have fought and are fighting an uphill battle without grumbling, closing the doors and announcing no performance only on those few occasions when there has been no audience at all.

Now the management propose to take a yet more aggressive step. They feel that the season is approaching when the people WILL patronize good dramatic entertainments, and to provide variety in these, Mr. Barr is leaving for San Francisco to-morrow, with the intention of bringing back with him the entire Alcazar company, with which he will open the fall season here on the 19th instant, presenting the drama version of the always popular "Carmen."

In the meantime, the present company will continue to hold the boards, with frequent changes of bill, and careful performances of all that are taken in hand. Mr. Marsh and his new company, headed by Miss Mathes, possibly may come in for the week of September 12; and after the 19th, stars will be introduced every four weeks, with a number of circuit attractions from the best popular price houses of the Northwest. Several excellent companies have already been booked for October and November, while "The Black Crook," with all its special scenery, holds the dates of Christmas week.

During Mr. Barr's 10 days' absence the management of the house will be looked after by a combination of three, the company's treasurer, Mr. Oliver, Miss Fried, and Capt. J. D. Warren.

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"The Princess and the Pedlar," a pretty little opera by J. L. Mackay, is to be presented at the Victoria about mid-November under Mr. Frank Finch-Smiley, stage management, and Mrs. Bridges' musical direction. The former has had a wide experience in theatrical work, having travelled with Mansfield for five years, afterwards with Sir Henry Irving, and still later with George H. L. Barr; while Mrs. Bridges' long association with the musical fraternity of Victoria has made her very well known locally. Yesterday afternoon the first rehearsal was held, the talent being particularly premising. Between 50 and 60 little ones are to take part, and the scenic effects, it is claimed, will be altogether new to Victorians. Miss Frances Finner, Miss Johns, Miss E. Sinclair and

Miss Lulu McDougall will be among the principals.

Hoy's most original and popular comedy, "The Milk White Flag," is with the Seattleites to-morrow. From the fact that it is neither billed nor advertised here, it may be concluded that it will pass Victoria by.

THE PREMIER PROVINCE.

Millionaire Mackay's Good Word for British Columbia, the "Bright Jewel of the Canadian Confederation."

Mr. John W. Mackay, the American multi-millionaire, popularly known as the "Bonanza King," passed through Whistler last Saturday evening en route to California, via the Manitoba Capital cities interviewed by a Telegram reporter to whom he remarked:

"British Columbia is a grand mining country and will before long be as famous as California, Nevada or Colorado. There is nothing like mineral wealth to build up a nation, and in a few years British Columbia will be the premier province of Canada."

He was not personally interested in any mining properties either in British Columbia or the Klondike, but a number of his friends were deeply interested in properties there.

Speaking of the Pacific cable he said he thought it would not be constructed for many years to come, unless largely subsidized by the British and Canadian governments, as it would not be sufficient to build it for fifty years to make the cable a profitable investment.

Mr. Mackay is accompanied by his daughter the Princess di Coloma and by his private secretary. The party are going straight to California via the C. P. R. in about six weeks.

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Excursions to Nanaimo and Seattle Among the Attractions for the Public.

It has only been a few years since Labor Day was hit upon as a happy method of bringing to public attention once a year the dignity and true worth of labor, and that the old Latin motto "Labor Omnia Vincit" does not mean that "work is tough on anyone." However, though a workman may delight in his labor, he likes to get a holiday now and then, and so when six o'clock comes to-morrow morning it will not be the usual blue Monday hoot from the factory whistle that will wake the weary laborer from his beauty sleep, but instead he may, if he pleases, turn over with a sigh of relief for another good snooze, drowsily thinking pleasant things of the legislators who listened to his prayer and the Labor Day a general holiday throughout the length and breadth of the Dominion.

In fact it is a continental holiday for, by mutual arrangement, Uncle Sam and his family also enjoy at rest on the same day.

All the public offices will be closed to-morrow as it is a statutory holiday. The post-office will be open from 7 to 10 o'clock in the morning, and there will be one delivery by the letter carriers. The banks and government offices will all close for the day.

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## GERMAN OPINION.

The Ruler of the Fatherland Supports the Czar to Hasten the Millennium.

No Truth in the Reported Anglo-German Alliance—France Stands Aloof.

Berlin, Sept. 3.—The astounding disarmament proposal of the Czar has overshadowed everything else this week. The members of the government, the newspapers and the public have alike exhibited the liveliest interest in the matter. There is no doubt that the German government views the project with favor.

"With no ulterior motives," as an official of the foreign office said to the Associated Press correspondent here, "Germany will make strenuous efforts to bring about, first the conference itself, and then a realization of its object, at least so far as it is possible.

"While it is not literally true, as France suspects, that Emperor William is responsible for the Czar's proclamation, nevertheless it is a fact that ever since the Czar's accession to the throne, the German Emperor has repeatedly discussed partial disarmament with him, and during the last year Prince Hohenlohe, the imperial chancellor, and Count Mouravieff, the Russian minister of foreign affairs, have exchanged views on the same topic.

"But it cannot be said that the government is very hopeful of the Czar's ideas prevailing, and the officials of the foreign office fully realize that there are enormous and apparently insurmountable difficulties in the way.

"Baron Von Bulow, the minister of foreign affairs, invited the foreign diplomats to the foreign office to-day, for the purpose of getting their views and imparting the ideas of the German government, but owing to the fact that a number of the members of the diplomatic corps were enjoying their holidays, the meeting was sparsely attended. The British, Russian, Austrian and Italian ambassadors came to town especially to attend, but the Spanish ambassador did not take any part in the meeting. A representative of the French embassy was present.

The correspondent of the Associated Press also learns that the dreidumb powers heartily favored the Czar's proposal, and that Great Britain signified her sympathy with the suggestion made from St. Petersburg. All these powers are ready to participate in the proposed conference, on the understanding that the actual status of each of the powers' political entity should not be discussed. The representative of France contented himself with listening, and did not enlighten the others in regard to his government's views.

The German foreign office believes that, while France will shortly adopt a more conciliatory attitude, her adhesion to the resolutions which the conference may adopt is very doubtful.

## LOST ON COPPER RIVER

Prospectors Fall Into the Crevasses of Valdez Glacier to Meet Certain Death.

Steamer Dirigo Returns With a Large Gold Consignment—Dawson Arrivals.

Six Copper river prospectors, half a hundred Dawsonites, five Yukon gold hunters, and a number of Skagwayans came from the North on the steamer Dirigo last evening. The ship was a typical miners' craft, and many of her voyagers looked much the worse for "roughing it." Others were capitalists and between them according to Purser La Farge, they had \$100,000 in gold, besides drafts amounting to probably as much more. These were Yukoners, who came out to the coast on the Canadian Dogtooth Company's steamer. One of the Copper river prospectors nothing very new can be said, apart from the accidents they report, of which also they can give very meagre details. They were a care-worn, disconsolate lot of men who have nothing good to say about the country. They accuse it is discouraging. One noted that he had come out over the Valdez glacier in July, and urged that people be advised against making such a trip to the country. The glacier, he says, is 28 miles long and full of crevasses. He told of one man falling into one of them, opening up a great depth never to be seen again except through a crack. A rope was passed down to him and he made a vain effort to extricate himself. He was wedged too firmly in the "jaws of death" to be recovered however, and was allowed to live on a sort of diet of igloo meat, tea and coffee, to give him assistance. Ten or twelve prospectors have lost their lives on the Copper River, according to the same man's story, all having been wrecked on rafts and thrown into the river, which, it is said, never casts up its dead.

The leaden of a Mining camp party was also lost on the glacier. He gives as his reason for the Copper River's failure as a gold producing stream that before bedrock is struck on sand is found, and invariably the sand is so fine that further work can not be attempted as the water rushes in on the prospector so fast that he simply has to abandon his diggings.

The following is a list of the Dawsonites aboard the Dirigo: G. H. Rollins, H. H. Howe, J. Bogard, F. Thomas, R. Fulton, G. C. Markwell, J. Settling, J. F. Howay, L. T. Evans, M. Shirk, J. A. McDonald, D. Milan, W. H. Davis, J. McRoy, Wm. Ritter, H. F. McClintock, E. C. Thompson, P. Skoglund, A. Young, P. Olsen, H. Stevens, J. Franwog, J. V. Logan, C. Magoon, Henry Westlake, R. M. Dunton, A. H. Barber, E. Allen, Olsen, Borger, J. J. Jackson, J. A. Hutchins, J. T. Compere, M. H. Ogden, Alex. Raveney, F. Hinkey, W. Haynes, S. S. Burkes, Wm. Mills, W. H. Rorden, E. Shepard, J. York, P. Lynch, C. Lockett, J. G. Mann, F. Creasey, M. Orro.

THE BURNING OF A TOWN.

Owosso, Michigan, at the Mercy of a Fiery Fire.

Detroit, Mich., Sept. 3.—A Free Press special says that the whole business portion of Owosso, Michigan, is endangered by fire which is now raging.

THE THERMOMETER.

ESQUIMAI STATION, Sept. 3, 1893.

Report for 24 hours ending 9 p.m.

1 a.m. 55° Mean 60°

5 a.m. 54° Highest 70°

9 a.m. 62° Lowest 53°

1 p.m. 67° Average state of weather—Fair.

5 p.m. 66° Sunshine 12h. 30m.

9 p.m. 66° Observed..... 30,176

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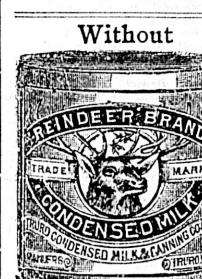
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